

TOWN OF HENLOPEN ACRES — June 2022 Newsletter

Dear Neighbor,

Summer has arrived, and we're off to a beautiful start. The Nor'easter storm over Mother's day weekend took a toll on area beaches, including ours, but Mother Nature has begun replenishing the sand levels. We hope to see you soon and often on the beach, walking and riding your bikes, as you enjoy your time in the Acres.

The Commissioners met on June 10th to adopt the **Town Budget** for the 2022-2023 fiscal year that begins on July 1. Our operating budget of \$988,000 in expenses and \$1,023,000 in revenue has no change in the property tax or water rate. Transfer tax revenue slowed in the past year with three house sales, and we are lowering our sales forecast for the coming year. Some timely grants from the Federal and County government will help pay for a critical \$200,000 investment in our Water Plant with new a telemetry and electronic communications system to our 11 remote water wells.

It wouldn't be July without our **Annual Independence Day Parade**. Please come out and show your Patriotic Pride as we march around the block from the Marina on Monday, July 4th. With prizes for the kids and ice cream for all, we invite everyone to celebrate our good fortune as Americans.

Joni Reich, Mayor

2022 Voter Registration & Election

This year's Town election for Commissioner positions will, be held on August 27. The 3-year terms of office for Commissioners Jeffrey Jacobs and Dick Thompson are expiring. Property owners and residents are eligible to file to become a candidate and to vote in the election, with at least one position to be filled by a resident. You Must register with the Town to vote in the election. Voter registration and candidate forms can be obtained from Michele Frye at Town Hall or on the Town website.

Deadline to File Candidacy:	Friday, July 8, 2022
Deadline to Register to Vote:	Thursday, July 28, 2022
Election Day:	Saturday, August 27, 2022



Independence Day Town Parade

Monday, July 4th

Town Marina @ 9:00 am

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MAYOR:

Joni Reich

Commissioners:

Tiffany Derrickson

Tim Hidell

Jeffrey Jacobs

Paddy Richards

John Staffier

Richard Thompson

Town Manager

Thomas Roth

Town Clerk

Michele Frye

Public Works

Sonny McClure

Security

Lee Stewart

Town Hall 104 Tidewaters

Hours: M-F 9-4:30

• **302-227-6411**

• **302-227-3978 Fax**

• **302-542-3323 Security**

• **townhall@henlopenacres.com**

• **henlopenacres.delaware.gov**

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Board of Commissioners

Quarterly Mtg

Friday, July 8, 2022 at 10am

Planning Commission

To be scheduled

Board of Adjustment

As needed

Tree Committee

As needed

TOWN HALL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:

Monday July 4

Independence Day

Monday September 5

Labor Day

Monday October 10

Columbus Day



Our Deepest Sympathy to the family of:

**Mr. Edward Rowell - 4 Broad Hollow
April 14, 2022**

Mosquito Spraying

A reminder that the Town sprays for mosquitos every Friday between 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. to help alleviate mosquitoes. This will continue until the first frost in September. Information on the chemicals used in the spraying is available at Town Hall.

Minimum Tree Density Requirements

Applications for a building permit may include a landscape plan that meets the following minimum tree density requirements as follows:

Recognizing that a plentiful tree canopy is a unique and signature feature of Henlopen Acres, and that building construction poses a significant risk of loss of established trees on a lot and on neighboring lots, this section shall apply to **any person who submits a Building Permit application to construct a new home on a lot, or to perform a renovation including a change in footprint in excess of 400 square feet.**

Property Re-Assessments

A reminder that Field representatives from Tyler Technologies will be visiting door-to-door to assess each property in the near future. This is to collect data for the statewide property re-assessments. New assessment values will not go into effect until 2024. Further information is available on the Sussex County website.

Welcome New Property Owners

Rodney & Stacy Anderson - 61 Fields End

Appointments

At the Commissioner's meeting on June 10, the following appointments were approved:

Planning Commission:

John Scheurer—62 Tidewaters

Board of Elections:

Sallie Jones—31 Rolling Road

Bruce Moore—14 Tidewaters

Frederica Noland—44 Pine Reach

Election Officers:

Sherril Moon— 80 Pine Reach

Louise Montgomery—80 Pine Reach

David Kaplan—11 Rolling Road

We thank everyone for their willingness to serve!

Thank you to all of the volunteers that came out for the grass seed planting on the dunes!

